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Everybody's Talking!

Bird blockade: Trains traveling between the English centers of Brighton and London were delayed for at least 90 minutes for an unusual reason: a baby herring gull on the tracks needed to be removed. Officials turned off the power to the track during the removal process. Herring gulls are a common sight in the seaside town of Brighton, but they are on the red list compiled by the Birds of Conservation Concern, due to their declining population numbers. The incident initially led many to believe the reason for the train delays was a joke. The delayed passengers, though inconvenienced, were relieved to learn that the young bird was safely rescued and was unharmed.

Madonna superfan: Tara Berry, a dedicated Madonna fan, holds the Guinness World Record for the most tattoos of the same musician on the body, proudly displaying 18 portraits of the iconic singer. Her tattoo journey began in 2016 when Madonna sought out fans with tattoos of her image for a video. Inspired, Berry started with two tattoos, and then her collection rapidly expanded. She was motivated to surpass Nikki Paterson's record of 15 Eminem tattoos, leading her to invest nearly \$10,000 (USD) and 110 hours over six months. Despite her mother's shock, Berry's friends admired the artistic tribute. Her tattoos capture Madonna's memorable moments from the singer's worldwide career.

Alpaca escape: A herd of alpacas executed a daring escape plan, causing havoc on a highway near Cambridge, England. The animals had broken free from a local farm and were obstructing traffic on the busy road. Although police were called to the scene, by the time they arrived, the alpacas had been safely corralled back into their fenced field by the farmer. Motorists captured footage that showed the curious alpacas gazing at drivers, seemingly intrigued by the commotion they were unaware that they had caused. Meanwhile, some of the animals were happily munching on grass by the roadside, which added a touch of charm to the unexpected traffic jam.

Lucky lady: If you believe that good luck comes in pairs, then Christine Wilson is proof of that theory. The woman from Attleborough, Massachusetts (U.S.), won the lottery twice. The first time, she won \$1 million (USD) and she used some of her windfall to buy a car. Then, 10 weeks later, the lucky lady won another cool million dollars. In both cases, she had opted to receive her winnings as one-time payouts. Wilson earned her first lottery win by buying a \$50 ticket, and then she bought a \$10 instant ticket, which brought her the second big win. She said she plans to put her second windfall into savings.

Quoteable Quotes

"A lily or a rose never pretends, and its beauty is that it is what it is." —Jiddu Krishnamurti

"Look closely. The beautiful may be small." —Immanuel Kant

What's Happening

Construction Connection Business Diversity Forum October 23, 2024 at 4PM. Location: City Hall, 300 W. Main Street, Grand Prairie. Join the Construction Connection Business Diversity Forum. Network with city officials, explore exhibitor booths, and learn about doing business with the City

Cruzin' The Prairie Car and Truck Show When: October 26, 2024 | 10:00 AM to 02:00 PM. Location: 300 W Main St., Grand Prairie. Registration: 9-11am, \$20 fee Join the Grand Prairie Historical Organization/Museum at the Cruzin' the Prairie Car and Truck Show. Enjoy classic cars, food trucks, live music, and more.

Senior Wellness Fiesta is October 29, 2024 at Grand Prairie YMCA 9am-noon. 4556 S Carrier Pkwy, Grand Prairie. Are you 65 years or older or care for someone who is? Travel tips, Medicare forum, fitness session, cognitive health info, music, and food!

Grand Prairie Chamber Event: Chamber Salute 5K/10K: Date: November 2, 2024 Time: 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM CDT Where: Mike Lewis Park-Walk. Vendors & Sponsors Available SIGN UP HERE: <https://runsignup.com/Race/TX/GrandPrairie/ChamberSalute>

Trivia

1. What kind of food is gazpacho?
2. If a carnivore eats meat, what is a frugivore?
3. This is the easternmost city in the U.S.
4. What is a female rabbit called?
5. How many years are in an undecennial—9, 11, or 20?

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ARIES
(March 20 - April 19)



Important information may emerge from your unconscious at the end of the week. Pay attention to it because it might help you find a new solution to an old issue. Lucky numbers: 2, 4, 14, 30, 40, 45.

TAURUS
(April 20 - May 20)



Surprises may abound for you as the week begins. The Taurus-born generally are not fond of change, but going with the flow right now may be in your best interests. Lucky numbers: 7, 13, 14, 21, 31, 48.

GEMINI
(May 21 - June 20)



Do you feel your confidence is being shaken now? What adjustment might allow you to express your authentic self? To do so, you may need to push past your fear. Lucky numbers: 4, 6, 10, 13, 19, 23.

CANCER
(June 21 - July 22)



You may feel the desire to retreat for a few days this week. If that's possible, honoring this need and decompressing from your daily routine might be helpful to you. Lucky numbers: 8, 12, 30, 38, 39, 41.

LEO
(July 23 - Aug. 22)



A desire for having fun may continue this week. If possible, try to accommodate this, if you haven't done so yet. If you have, is now the time to get back to work? Lucky numbers: 1, 5, 27, 28, 39, 48.

VIRGO
(Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)



This weekend may be a good time to tackle something that needs to be organized. This could be anything from a closet to thoughts that are running around in your head. Lucky numbers: 9, 15, 20, 33, 38, 45.

LIBRA
(Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)



The week may offer an opportunity to unearth information from the depths of your unconscious mind. This process is intended to serve your spiritual development. Lucky numbers: 11, 15, 33, 37, 40, 48.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)



If you set goals at the time of your birthday last year, how well did you succeed at them? This month may be a good time to establish new ones for the next year. Lucky numbers: 12, 13, 15, 17, 19, 26.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)



The eternal optimism of Sagittarius may want to ignore the hard truth of a situation in their life. Right now, though, you may be given opportunities to finally face it. Lucky numbers: 14, 16, 19, 28, 39, 45.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)



If you are in conflict with yourself or someone else this week, step back and take a deep breath. Ask yourself what this dynamic might be trying to tell you right now. Lucky numbers: 10, 13, 22, 23, 31, 40.

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)



Are you experiencing a conflict with someone in a position of authority? Think carefully about whether your position is correct or the other person has a valid argument. Lucky numbers: 1, 10, 15, 22, 37, 41.

PISCES
(Feb. 19 - March 20)



Organization is generally not a Pisces strong suit. At the beginning of this week, the energy supports catching up on your outstanding tasks, so take advantage of it. Lucky numbers: 3, 10, 17, 20, 35, 46.

Lucky numbers this week: This week's odds favor Taurus winners with the luckiest number being 21.

Did You Know...

Pocket watch: The small pocket inside the right side pocket of blue jeans is called a watch pocket. When Levi Strauss designed the trousers back in the late 1800s, men used pocket watches and could safely store them there.

Clay comforts: Baby pacifiers have been around for at least 3,000 years. They once were made of all sorts of materials that neither parents nor pediatricians would recommend today, such as clay, silver, and coral.

Loonie legacy: In Canada, the one-dollar coin, which replaced the paper bill in 1987, quickly gained the nickname "loonie" because it has a loon on the coin's reverse side. The image was created by wildlife artist Robert-Ralph Carmichael.

Presidential whiskey: After his tenure as U.S. president from 1789 to 1797, George Washington operated a highly lucrative whiskey distillery on his farm in Mount Vernon, Virginia. Today, staff continue to produce this historic whiskey.

Same birthday: Unless you were born on February 29, you are sharing your birthday with a lot of people around the globe: around 20 million people! If you are a Leap Year baby, then you share your special day with about 5 million people.

On the Lighter Side

One day the office computers broke down. Everyone had to think.

Doctor: "How is the patient who swallowed the coins?"
Nurse: "No change yet."

Knock! Knock! Who's there? Quiche. Quiche who? Want a hug and quiche?

What goes around the yard but stays in place? A fence.

The tree was glad when fall and winter passed. In fact, it was re-leafed.

Answers

Trivia answers: 1. Soup 2. Fruit eater 3. Eastport, Maine 4. Doe 5. 11

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